

Reading Matters

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PUBLICATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, "Memento Mori" (essay). *West Branch*, No. 104, Winter 2024. <https://westbranch.blogs.bucknell.edu/traci-brimhallmemento-mori/01/2024/>

"A Group of Moths" (poem), *Copper Nickel* No. 38, Spring 2024, p. 24.

"The End of Girlhood," "Crown Shyness," and "Through a Glass Darkly" (poems), *EcoTheo Review* Winter 2023, pp. 6-8.

"Take Two" (poem) *Prairie Schooner* Vol. 97, No. 2, Summer 2023, pp. 156-57.

PRESENTATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, Poetry *Out Loud* (emcee), Topeka, KS. 2 Mar. 2024.

Dusty Bookshelf Open Mic Night (emcee), Manhattan, KS. 22 Feb. 2024.

"Poetry on the Plains: Laureateship in the Midwest" (moderator), *Association of Writers and Writing Programs*, Kansas City, MO. 22 Feb. 2024.

"Workshop Feedback: An Unmanageable Labor of Love?" (panelist), *Association of Writers and Writing Programs*, Kansas City, MO. 22 Feb. 2024.

Eco Theo Review, Rock and Roll Reading, and *Bear Review* Reading. *AWP Offsites*. Kansas City, KS. 7-9 Feb. 2024.

• **Daniel A. Hoyt**, excerpts from *Shit List* (fiction reading). Whiskey Tit Reading. Kansas City, MO. 10 Feb. 2024.

"We Can't All Marry Rich: Teaching Creative Writing Students Professional Skills" (panelist). *Association of Writers and Writing Programs*. Kansas City, MO. Kansas City, MO. 9 Feb. 2024.

Excerpts from *This Book Is Not for You* (fiction reading). *Association of Writers and Writing Programs*. Kansas City, MO. 8 Feb. 2024.

The 11th Annual Rock and Roll Reading (curator/organizer). Kansas City, MO. 7 Feb. 2024.

• **Michele Janette**, "We Gotta Get Out of This Frame: Dao Strom's Reworking of Vietnam War Photography," English Dept Colloquium. 14 Feb 2024.

• **Phillip Marzluf**, "The Execution of George Grant: Representations of Violence on the Mongolian Frontier." *XVI Annual Mongolian Studies Conference*. Washington, DC. 2 Feb. 2024.

AWARDS

• **Cydney Alexis** and **Theresa Merrick Cassidy** have won a GRIPex AI in the Disciplines award for "Collaborating with AI: A Project to Develop Writing Studies-Informed Applications of Generative AI for Teaching in Higher Education" (\$100,356).

• **Traci Brimhall** has won a Public Media Award for Performing Arts Programming for *Poetry Out Loud with KTWU*.

• **Elizabeth Dodd**, Nonfiction Editor for *Terrain.org*, together with Editor-in-Chief Simmons Buntin and Poetry Editor Derek Sheffield, has won the 2024 Small Press Publisher Award from the Associated Writing Programs. They received the award at the national conference on February 7 in Kansas City. *Terrain.org* is a nonprofit, independent magazine of place, climate, and justice publishing online since 1998.

• **Greg Eiselein** has received a 2024 Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate Award for "exceptional work in the areas of student learning, development, and success." The award ceremony was held at the 43rd Annual Conference of the First-Year Experience in Seattle, WA, in February 2024.

• **Shirley Tung** has won a British Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Teaching Prize for her course "The Cult of Celebrity: From the Eighteenth Century to the Present Day."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Six English majors became new members of our local chapter of the international English honor society, Sigma Tau Delta.

FEATURED IN MEDIA

• **Beth Jones** (as L.C. Mortimer) was recently interviewed by *VoyageKC* to talk about diversity in books, specifically with foster care representation in stories: <https://>

voyagekc.com/interview/life-work-with-l-c-mortimer-of-olathe-ks/

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Friday, March 1, 4:00-5:00** Scott McCloud on “Comics and Visual Communication”
- **Friday, March 22, 9:00-3:00** Grad Program Visiting Day
- **Friday, March 22, 3:30-4:30** Reading by Brynn Saito
- **Friday, March 22, 5:00-6:00** K-State 48 Hour Film Challenge Launch
- **Friday, March 29, 5:00-6:00** K-State 48 Hour Film Challenge Red Carpet Event
- **Friday, April 5, 4:00-5:00** Older and Wiser Project Meeting, sponsored by the Graduate Track in Literature
- **Saturday, April 6, 9:00-3:00** All-University Open House
- **Wednesday, April 17, 3:30-4:30** 21st Annual Graduate Literature Symposium
- **Monday, April 22, 3:30-5:00** Treaties, Teaching, and First-Gen Land Grant Responsibilities presentation
- **Thursday, April 25, 4:00-5:00** Lecture by Dr. Jacob Goodson
- **Saturday, April 27, 9:00-1:00** 9th Biennial ChALC Conference on Children’s Literature.

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